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## At least 25 die in New Year party

HAPASL Quebec, Jan. 1 (R)—At least 25 people died early today when a fire raged through a packed hall filled with New Year's celebrators, police in this remote northern Quebec mining town said. More were still missing and presumed dead, and at least 0 people were injured including nine so badly burned that they had to be flown to hospitals hundreds of kilometers away. The cause of the fire at the New Year's Eve party at the Opamiska Club, one of the major social events of the year in this town of 1,000 people, has still to be determined, police said. But one report spoke of a party-goer playing with a cigarette lighter and others said it might have started among the decorative lights. Police said between 200 and 300 people were at the party.

## Kurds, guards clash in Sanandaj

TEHRAN, Jan. 1 (R)—At least one person died and five were critically wounded in fierce fighting between Kurdish guerrillas and revolutionary guards in the Kurdish city of Sanandaj today, officials at two city hospitals said. The officials told Reuters by telephone they feared the casualty toll was much higher but ambulances could not reach the injured because heavy shooting was continuing in several parts of town. The clashes erupted despite a ceasefire between government forces and the powerful autonomy-seeking Kurdish Democratic Party (KDP) which has demanded the guard's withdrawal from Sanandaj. The official Pars News Agency carried a statement by the regular army warning that it would consider any attack on the guards as an attack on itself. But it was not clear if army personnel were involved in the latest outbreak of fighting in Sanandaj, the second in 24 hours.

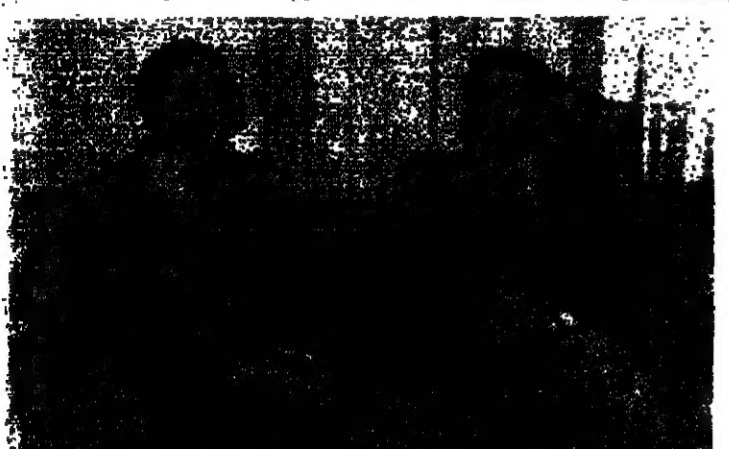
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## No guarantee he will meet Khomeini Waldheim arrives in Tehran for talks on U.S.-Iran crisis

TEHRAN, Jan. 1 (R)—United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim arrived today for talks on the U.S.-Iranian crisis with no guarantee that he would meet Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, who holds the key to the fate of the American hostages held in Iran. He told reporters on arrival that meetings with government leaders would cover all aspects of the crisis which centres on the recovery of the U.S. embassy in Tehran two months ago by radical followers of Ayatollah Khomeini. Dr. Waldheim said: "My visit to Iran will provide an opportunity to have an exchange of views. In the light of such a constructive exchange of views I hope to find means and ways to solve the crisis."



United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim (left) chats with Iran's Foreign Minister Sadeq Qotbzadeh on arrival at Mehrabad Airport Tuesday. Dr. Waldheim has gone to Tehran at his own request in an attempt to resolve the current crisis between the United States and Iran. (AP wirephoto)

The U.N. Secretary General was met at Mehrabad International Airport by Foreign Minister Sadeq Qotbzadeh. Dr. Waldheim was whisked away under tight security to Tehran hotel and informed sources said he was due to have his first talks with Mr. Qotbzadeh later tonight. The students holding the 49 Americans are demanding the return of the deposed Shah and have threatened to put their captives on trial. Mr. Qotbzadeh favours an international tribunal to try the United States for alleged crimes against Iran but the plan has failed to get off the ground, apparently because of the reluctance of international figures to take part while the hostages are still held.

Dr. Waldheim said he thanked the Iranian government for allowing the visit to take place and added: "I wish to extend my greetings and best wishes to the leader of Iran, his eminence Ayatollah Khomeini." But when asked whether he would be seeing the revolutionary leaders, Waldheim said: "The programme of my visit has been organised by the government of Iran and I can't tell you what it will include."

There has been no official announcement on whether Ayatollah Khomeini intends to receive Dr. Waldheim but a member of his household quoted him this week as saying he did not intend to meet the U.N. leaders. The embassy students have also said they will not meet Dr. Waldheim or allow him to see the hostages unless specifically ordered to do so by Ayatollah Khomeini.

Mr. Qotbzadeh said the United States failed to achieve its objective with yesterday's U.N. Security Council resolution threatening Iran with sanctions if U.S. hostages are not freed within a week. He told reporters Dr. Waldheim was seeking facts and not mediating in the dispute between America and Iran.

Mr. Qotbzadeh said several states which voted for the U.N. resolution made it clear to Iran they would not necessarily vote for sanctions, if that question arises next week. "Therefore that means that the United States actually did not get what it wanted," he said.

The minister denied Dr. Waldheim was coming because of U.S. pressure. The secretary-general was coming to hear Iranian views, evaluate the situation and examine the cause of the crisis, Mr. Qotbzadeh said. His trip had been considered on the understanding it did not mean any mediation between the U.S. and Iran.

"Dr. Waldheim will come here and will see for himself what's happening. I hope this will be clear for everyone and there won't be any problem whatsoever," Mr. Qotbzadeh said.

He did not throw any further light on who would be talking to Dr. Waldheim. The students and Tehran newspapers have highlighted the fact that Dr. Waldheim visited Iran in 1978 when the revolution which toppled the Shah was in its opening stages.

A student spokesman said in an interview with the afternoon newspaper Ertel: "Dr. Waldheim once honoured us by coming to Iran during the revolution when the nation, faced with the Shah's machine-gun fire, was crying and blood had covered everything. He went back and did nothing."



TEHRAN, Jan. 1 (R)—Up to 3,000 Afghan exiles demonstrated outside the Soviet embassy in Tehran today and a handful managed to enter the embassy compound. The protesters, chanting slogans denouncing the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan, burned the Soviet flag outside the embassy gates and raised a green and white Islamic emblem in its place. Islamic revolutionary guards dispersed the demonstrators by firing into the air, but a few Afghan students smashed the sentry post at the main gate and entered the embassy compound. Witnesses said several youths were led out of the compound and put into police cars. A revolutionary guard officer said nobody had been injured. The main body of the demonstration then marched to the occupied U.S. embassy, in central Tehran, where they read a statement condemning the United States and the Soviet Union. (AP wirephoto)

## Fan out into Afghan countryside Soviet troops clash with Amin's army supporters

NEW DELHI, Jan. 1 (Agencies)—Soviet troops fanning out into the Afghanistan countryside from the capital Kabul have clashed with soldiers loyal to executed President Hafizullah Amin, diplomatic sources in New Delhi said today.

Details of the fighting which followed last Thursday's Soviet-backed coup were sparse, said the sources, who were quoting reports from diplomats in Kabul. Casualties were not known. But American official in Washington said yesterday at least 250 Soviet troops had been killed in fighting with Amin supporters. The sources said the Soviet soldiers, now estimated at between 35,000 and 40,000 with a further 40,000 on the Soviet-Afghan border, were in total control of Kabul itself. The strength of the Afghan army as estimated by the London-based International Institute for Strategic Studies, is 80,000.

The capital was reported generally quiet today five days after Babrak Karmal was installed as the country's new leader. But the sources said there had been firing and grenade explosions there yesterday and on Sunday.

Diplomats in Kabul said earlier that Soviet troops had taken up positions within 55 kilometres of the Pakistan border at the Khyber Pass, gateway to South Asia.

The new government has appealed to Muslim guerrillas to lay down their arms. Kabul Radio, monitored in New Delhi last night, broadcast repeated appeals to the dissidents "to return to the fold of the country without fear and in freedom and to voluntarily part with weapons supplied to them by the enemies."

The official Soviet News Agency Tass said today Mr. Karmal had told Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev that with continuing cooperation from Moscow Afghanistan would be able to overcome all difficulties. Mr. Karmal, whose presence in Kabul had earlier been in doubt, was seen yesterday in the residence of the prime minister which was now his office, according to reports from diplomats reaching Islamabad.

The new government said today that its military cooperation with Russia would end as soon as the threat of external aggression was removed.

A foreign ministry statement broadcast on Radio Kabul said no country could stop Afghanistan from seeking support from the Soviet Union. Its request for aid was in line with United Nations principles and the year-old treaty of friendship with Moscow, the Afghan government said.

According to the radio broadcast, Mr. Karmal's government accused the United States of using the change of government in Kabul to draw attention away from its crimes in Iran.

It also challenged the western news media and asked why they had remained silent about the large number of crimes committed against the people of Afghanistan during the ousted President's three-month rule.

In Washington, U.S. officials said today the Soviet Union may be prepared to send 12,000 new troops into Afghanistan.

State department officials said the Soviet troops now in Afghanistan, described by the department as an "invasion force," have been opposed not only by insurgent guerrillas but also by Afghan regular army troops.

Some Pentagon officials said the Soviet troops might end up fighting both groups, a development which could jeopardise the Soviet hold on the country.

President Carter was sharply critical yesterday of Mr. Brezhnev. He said Mr. Brezhnev had given him a completely inadequate and misleading reply to U.S. expressions of concern over the Soviet activities in Afghanistan.

Mr. Carter said the United States would take action which would include more than stiff diplomatic notes of protest. "He's not telling the facts accurately," Mr. Carter said in a television interview.

The president said Brezhnev claimed the Russian government had been invited by the Afghan government to intervene to protect Afghanistan from some outside threat. "This was obviously false because the person he claimed invited him, President Amin, was murdered, assassinated, after the Soviets pulled their coup," Mr. Carter said.

In Moscow, the Soviet Union countered widespread condemnation for its deep involvement in the Afghanistan coup today by accusing the United States of having conspired to turn the country into a base of anti-Soviet attacks.

A clearly authoritative article in the Soviet government newspaper (Continued on page 3)

## Regional Briefs

RIYADH, Jan. 1 (Agencies)—Saudi Arabian King Khaled has accepted the resignation of Mecca's governor and issued a decree retiring two high-ranking army officers, the Saudi Press Agency said today. King Khaled had accepted the retirement of Prince Fawwaz Ibn Abdul Aziz as governor for reasons of health. A successor was not immediately named. No reasons were given for the retirement of Gen. Assad Abdul Aziz Al Zuhair and Gen. Ali Majid Qabbani, who were assigned to the foreign ministry with the rank of ambassador. Last week, the chief of staff, Gen. Osman Humaid, lost his army job and became an adviser to the defence ministry.

TEHRAN, Jan. 1 (R)—Iran's ruling Islamic Republican Party (IRP) today put a relatively unknown university professor as its candidate for the presidential elections later this month. He is Mr. Jalaleddin Farsi, 47, who spent eight years in exile in Lebanon during the Shah's regime acting as a link between the Palestinian liberation movement and Iranian volunteers fighting with the Palestinians against Israel. Mr. Farsi, who is a member of the IRP central committee, was introduced as party candidate at a press conference by Ayatollah Mohammad Beheshti, the powerful secretary of the ruling Revolutionary Council. "Jalal has preserved his pure Islamic ideology during his long record of struggle," Ayatollah Beheshti told reporters. He added: "Mr. Farsi is devoid of any western or marxist ideology and has always followed the path of the Koran."

TEHRAN, Jan. 1 (R)—Iran's interior ministry today announced the official final results of last month's referendum in which Iranians overwhelmingly approved the country's strict Islamic constitution. A total of 15,758,956 people voted, of whom 15,680,329 voted "yes" and 78,516 voted "no". Interior Minister Hojatollah Hashemi Rafsanjani announced before the vote on Dec. 2 and 3 that the number of eligible voters was about 22 million.

BEIRUT, Jan. 1 (R)—The left-wing Armenian Secret Army for the Liberation of Armenia (ASALA) claimed responsibility today for 98 acts of violence, including the assassination of six Turkish diplomats, since 1975. In the first detailed account of operations to date, ASALA said its activists killed the Turkish ambassador to Austria and France in 1975, the Turkish ambassador to the Vatican, in 1977, and the political counsellor and the chief of Turkish intelligence in Paris last month. ASALA is chief of Turkish intelligence in Paris last month. The organization pledged to set up an independent state for Armenians. Armenia has accused the Turkish authorities of persecuting Armenians. According to a list of violent acts handed to Reuters office in Beirut, other acts of violence for which ASALA claimed responsibility ranged from a bomb attack on the office of Turkish Airlines in Beirut in 1975 and a bomb explosion which wrecked the transit lounge of Istanbul airport last year. According to the list, ASALA carried out 12 operations in 1975 and 40 last year.

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, Jan. 1 (R)—Israel has complained to Austria about recent remarks by Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky that he thought the government of Prime Minister Menachem Begin should be replaced, foreign ministry sources said yesterday. Dr. Kreisky's reported remarks were published in Israeli newspapers recently, and originally appeared in the French daily Le Figaro on Dec. 21. The foreign ministry summoned the Austrian ambassador and told him that Israel resented Chancellor Kreisky's interference in its internal affairs, the sources said. The ambassador was also told that Dr. Kreisky's friendly approaches to the Palestine Liberation Organisation and its head, Mr. Yasser Arafat, had not brought about many changes in PLO policy towards Israel, they said. Dr. Kreisky received Mr. Arafat in Vienna last July.

KHARTOUM, Jan. 1 (R)—The United States is to grant Sudan \$40 million to finance public and private sector imports under an agreement signed yesterday, the Sudan News Agency (SUNA) said. The agency said the grant would finance such imports as wheat, wheat seed, agricultural equipment, manufacturing materials and spare parts. Last week, the United States signed another agreement under which it will provide Sudan with \$100 million worth of wheat and wheat flour on a grant basis over a five-year period.

## Sadat, Begin urge increased U.S. military presence in ME

CAIRO, Jan. 1 (Agencies)—Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Prime Minister Menachem Begin of Israel today urged increased United States military presence in the Middle East. President Anwar Sadat said the battle for the energy resources of the Middle East has begun with the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

"This has frightened all those who live in the Gulf area, from Kuwait to the United Arab Emirates, and I say the battle around the area's oil resources has already begun," he said referring to the military coup in Afghanistan last week, and the intervention of Soviet troops.

Mr. Sadat made his remarks in an interview with CBS News Walter Cronkite, excerpts of which were reported in Cairo by the daily Al Ahram today.

Mr. Sadat said that the inhabitants of the Gulf area wanted U.S. protection, but could not openly ask for it.

"They all want you to have a presence in the area," he said, "but not one of them can raise his voice now because we are living a moment in which the Soviets have given themselves complete freedom of action."

He said the Arabs also condemned in silence Iran's religious leader Ayatollah Khomeini and the takeover of the American embassy in Tehran by student militants, but he personally would openly support the United States if it took military action to free the hostages.

"I will condemn the U.S. if it uses military force to occupy Iran, but if you use force to restore the balance that has been shaken there and to save the hostages, then I will support you," he said.

He also briefly referred to the stalled 7-month-old Palestinian autonomy talks between Egypt, Israel and the U.S. He said the problem was not only reaching agreement on a plan for self-rule for the Palestinians living in the occupied West Bank of Jordan and the Gaza Strip, but also the question of Jerusalem.

Egypt contends that East Jerusalem is part of the occupied West Bank and should return to Arab sovereignty, while Israel has repeatedly insisted that Jerusalem will remain the undivided capital of the Zionist state.

Mr. Sadat has said that the 800 million Muslims in the world could not accept Israeli rule over the holy city, and it should become an international city for all faiths.

"If our positions on these matters come a bit closer then I will insist that Jerusalem remain a united city, never to be divided again," he said.

Palestinian autonomy and the status of Jerusalem are expected to be the focal points of the summit between Mr. Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin in Aswan, Egypt, on Jan. 7.

In Tel Aviv, Mr. Begin told a U.S. congressman today the United States "needs more ground forces" to block Soviet inroads in countries like Afghanistan and Iran.

A U.S. source at the private meeting with Mr. Richard Kelly, R-Fla., quoted Mr. Begin as saying the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan was "a turning point in the world's history" since it marked the first time since World War II that Soviet forces crossed the boundaries of a non-communist bloc country. "It is a most serious development," Mr. Begin reportedly said.

"The United States needs more land forces around the world to prevent what is happening in Afghanistan, Iran and Lebanon," Mr. Begin was quoted as saying.

Asked how he would handle the Iranian crisis if he were the American president, Mr. Begin sidestepped a direct answer but implied that President Carter could use force to free the hostages.

"If the Russian embassy were taken over by so-called students, the Russians would immediately march on Tehran. That is why the Iranians would never dream of taking the Russian embassy," Mr. Begin was quoted as saying.



Under the portrait of Iranian leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, Iranian and American scouts get together for dinner at the Asian Pacific Scout Jamboree in Perth, Australia, Tuesday. Iran's International Scouting Commissioner Mohammad Moheza commented: "There is no problem between our two nations. It is a government problem." (AP wirephoto)

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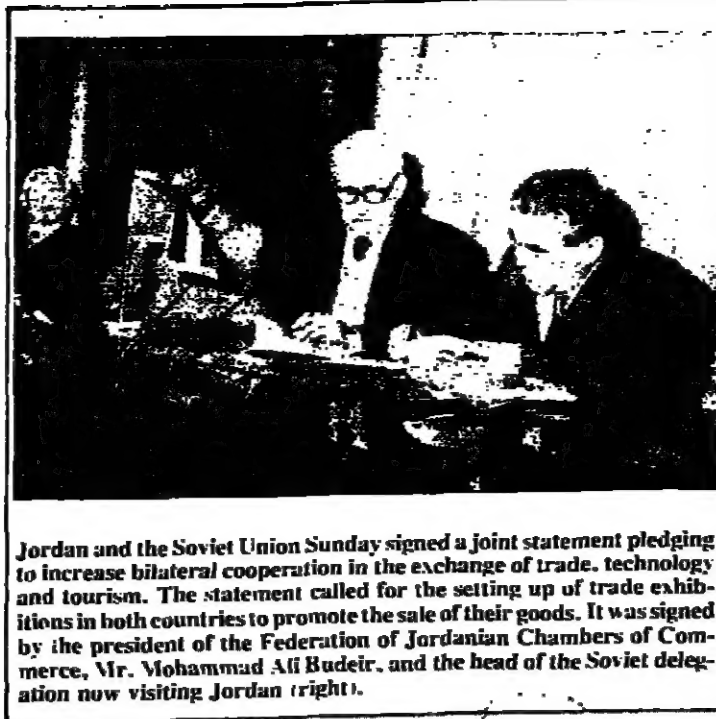
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### PM urges spirit of sincerity in government

AMMAN, Jan. 1 (JNA) — The Prime Minister, Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf, on Sunday called on the administrative leaders in the government to set free the forces of modernisation and to spread a spirit of sincerity in the government apparatus.

During a meeting with under-secretaries and director generals of public institutions, held at Al Hussein Youth City, the prime minister emphasised the significance of continuous interaction in the daily affairs of the people, and the activation of government cadres to make citizens feel the government is not far away from their needs.

The prime minister urged them to cooperate in formulating development programmes and in examining the administrative apparatus to develop the efficient and useful elements.



Jordan and the Soviet Union Sunday signed a joint statement pledging to increase bilateral cooperation in the exchange of trade, technology and tourism. The statement called for the setting up of trade exhibitions in both countries to promote the sale of their goods. It was signed by the president of the Federation of Jordanian Chambers of Commerce, Mr. Mohammad Ali Budeir, and the head of the Soviet delegation now visiting Jordan (right).

### Giving unanimous support to government's policy

## NCC suggests changes in tax, education, press laws

AMMAN, Jan. 1 (JNA) — The National Consultative Council (NCC) yesterday gave its unanimous support to the government's policy, which was set up in a statement read to the council by the Prime Minister, Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf, at last week's session.

Approval of the government's policy statement came during the NCC session in which a total of 28 members spoke on several points in the statement.

After the voting, the prime minister spoke to the council,

pledging that his government would take into consideration and act upon the various recommendations and proposals put forward by the council members. He lauded the positive spirit which characterised the council's debate of the government's statement, and thanked the NCC for its desire to cooperate with the new government.

Sharif Abdul Hamid said the government will adhere to its commitments regarding its declared policy towards Arab and other foreign nations, and its commitment to work towards strengthening Arab solidarity and regaining the full rights of the Palestinian people.

On the domestic front, the prime minister said the government will take into consideration most of the points brought up during the council's debate, particularly those related to education and taxation policies as well as upgrading the standard and effectiveness of the administrative systems, and opening government departments to deal with peoples' problems. The government respects and appreciates the judicial system in the country and will work towards developing it — in cooperation with the judicial council — with a view to increasing public confidence in justice, the prime minister said.

As stated in its policy statement, he said, the government will honour its commitment to achieve integrity in the functioning of government institutions and the elimination of corruption, fraud and bribery.

As to economic policy, the government will continue to encourage free enterprise, but will couple this with sound controls and planning, with a view to achieving social justice, the prime minister said.

The government is also keen on developing the agricultural sector and on enabling the country to attain self-sufficiency in food production, he said.

Turning to public services, Sharif Abdul Hamid said the government wants to offer the public good education, health and communications services. However, he said, these and others will be developed according to the state's finances.

Jordanians are invited to participate in developing public services and should realise that continuation of these services is closely related to the state's financial capabilities, the premier said.

He called for the adoption of a wise and firm financial policy that would enable the government to honour its commitment to maintaining basic services for the public and the building up of a strong army, which, he said, is the pride of the nation and ought to get all possible support.

Fuel prices are high and continue to rise and if this trend continues a bigger deficit is bound to appear in the country's general budget, Sharif Abdul Hamid said.

He expressed the hope that the government would be able to tackle this problem through talks with other Arab states through cutbacks on fuel consumption.

These financial and national burdens and pressures, he said, require cooperation between the government and people for control of fuel consumption and the maintenance of a level public services consonant with state's financial potential.

Turning to the general liberties referred to the NCC members, the prime minister said that freedom has no absolute meaning by itself and has no strict application in certain time and place. The application of general liberties, determined by the safety and security of a certain society, its internal unity and attitude towards discipline.

The general freedoms in Jordan are governed by the country's constitution and laws, he said, but at the same time the government views its position in this respect being two-fold: developing a means of popular expression in developing means of popular participation in directing the country's administration and politics.

He said the government is keen on developing popular expression and popular participation in a framework that ensures security and development of its institutions which in turn protect freedom and strengthen the society.

He said Jordan's past experience calls for the exercise of discipline and careful consideration to maintain internal cohesion, the safety to the country's institutions — learning from the lessons and experiments of other World nations, which are integrated due to misuse of general liberties.

The prime minister called cooperation in changing certain unhealthy trends in the society, particularly life styles of excessive consumption which are inconsistent with the country's challenges and future progress.

The NCC members who met today to debate the government statement, voiced support for new government of Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf and expressed willingness to work in full cooperation with it.

Most of the points in the government's policy statement were tackled by speakers, who proposed that the government reconsider the income tax laws, grant the people more freedom of expression through the information media, particularly the press. In this context they called for the introduction of an amendment to the press and publication law.

During the session, the members elected Dr. Kamal Dajani first vice president of the NCC and Mr. Abdul Majid Shraideh second vice president. They elected new members of the legislative council, education, agriculture and West Bank committees.

## U.S. lawyers try to block extradition of Palestinian

CHICAGO, Jan. 1 (AP) — Lawyers have filed a petition to block the extradition of Mr. Ziyad Abu Eain, a Palestinian who has been ordered sent to Israel to face murder charges.

The attorneys have challenged U.S. Magistrate Olga Juruo's Dec. 10 ruling that the bombing with which Mr. Abu Eain is charged was not politically motivated.

The magistrate called the attack an "isolated act of violence." A U.S.-Israel extradition treaty prohibits extradition for crimes of a political nature.

Mr. Abu Eain is suspected of planting a bomb in Tiberias which killed two teenagers and injured 36 others. He claims he is innocent of the bombing.

Mr. Abu Eain, 20, was arrested in August at his sister's home in Chicago.

Attorneys for him argued Mrs. Juruo erred when she there was sufficient evidence to believe their client committed crime.

The extradition will be postponed until U.S. District Judge Julius Hoffman rules on the petition, which was filed Friday.

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### Paying the price

THE two billion dollars in economic and military aid promised to Israel by the United States this year means the equivalent of \$9 paid by every American, man, woman and child, or, put another way, a \$15 contribution from every one of America's 130 million taxpayers.

It is pointless to speculate about what good could be achieved in the world if this money could be raised and distributed for charitable causes.

But, despite Israel's obvious discomfiture at having its demand for \$3.5 billion in aid this year so drastically pared down, many Americans ought to be asking themselves what this money is going to be used for.

In the first instance, it will go towards purchasing another \$120 million worth of American missiles and munitions this year. This will be good news to the U.S. military-industrial complex, and no amount of fretting by the Carter administration about the (completely illegal) use to which these armaments might be put in south Lebanon is likely to succeed in getting anyone in power in Washington to think twice about approving the appropriation.

If anything, the fact that the administration is maintaining aid to Israel at last year's level, with a \$200 million sweetener, in the form of a low-interest loan, thrown in for good measure, should ensure that the appropriation sails a smooth course through Congress.

And, while sanctimoniously preaching the need for austerity and greater productivity in its own inflation-ridden economy, Israel will proceed to put the U.S. aid to whatever use, including illegal uses such as destruction in south Lebanon and construction in the occupied West Bank, that it sees fit.

This U.S. aid procurement is no longer just an annual Washington ritual, of course; it is now sanctified as part and parcel of the Camp David "peace process," under which the U.S. has committed itself to keeping the Israelis afloat in perpetuity: indeed, the \$200 million loan will help the Israelis to relocate military bases from Sinai to the Naqab, closer to the Arab eastern front.

Since 1973, the U.S. has showered Israel with some \$20 billion in economic and military aid. We feel that most Americans who are being asked to continue giving at this rate would be horrified if they knew what sort of inflated, expansionist monster this has created. But they appear not to know, and if anything these days most of them are probably persuaded by the argument that they are a.) paying for "peace" and b.) helping to build a strong bulwark against the type of chaos which they see emanating from Iran.

Israel has, as ever, skillfully orchestrated these delusions, while continuing by its actions to constitute the single greatest threat to peace in the Middle East. This game is getting costly, and increasingly perilous, not only for the victims of Israel's creative uses of American aid, but for those who are paying for them.

### ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

AL RAI WRITES IN ITS editorial Tuesday that Jordan greets the new year with a clear vision of what is required at the national level and the path the Arabs are destined to travel as a nation. This clarity is the starting point from which wishes can be turned into facts.

At the national level, the setting-free of the torch of life with all that it embodies — of self-rejuvenation, release of energies, bolstering participation in building the new Jordan, awareness of the meaning of freedom in concept and practice — is the wish that has been put into practice while Jordan is greeting a new year and entering a new decade.

At the pan-Arab level, the Arabs greet a new year while embarking on a new stage — to attain what they want after transcending the phase of defining what they want. The difference between the two, the paper says, is clear and great in form and content, especially after Jordan has explained its vision for the new stage, which calls for changing the balance of power between the Arabs and Israel win all its dimensions: political, economic and military.

On the unanimous support the new government received from the National Consultative Council, AL DUSTOUR writes in its editorial that this collective support increases its responsibilities for the coming period, when there must be a translation into reality of the principles spelled out in the letter of assignment, and which guided the cabinet's statement of policy.

What remains after this, the editorial adds, is to define the list of priorities, the foremost of which is the people's participation with the government in striving to achieve the desired goals.

Prime Minister Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf's emphasis — on the eve of the new year — on the commitment to the government's policy statement is an indication of its absolute determination to go ahead sincerely and honestly to achieve the national and pan-Arab interests of Jordan, the editorial adds.

At the Arab level, the paper says, Jordan will remain committed to the Arab policy and remain a strong advocate of Arab solidarity and bridging the gaps between Arab nations, in addition to its obligations to strive for the rights of the Palestinian people.

On the domestic front, the prime minister promised before the National Consultative Council to reconsider the education and taxation policies, and to activate the administrative apparatus to increase its effectiveness.

The prime minister emphasised once again the necessity of improving the integrity of the government machinery, eliminating corruption and using sound planning to attain social justice in all regions of the kingdom.

## Altering Arab-Israeli balance of power only way to just M.E. peace, PM says

AMMAN, Jan. 1 (JT) — The following are excerpts from a wide-ranging interview with the Prime Minister, Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf, published in the latest edition of the Paris weekly news magazine, *Al Nahar* Arab and International, on the essential lines of the new government's policy.

**Q. Does the change in government mean a change in state policy, particularly regarding Jordan's foreign policy and its position on the Camp David agreements?**

**A.** The change in government does not mean there has been a change in the basic tenets of Jordan's policy. I am referring to the commitment to Arab solidarity... and the commitment to a just peace based on clear principles, foremost among which is total Israeli withdrawal from all the occupied territories and securing the legitimate national rights of the Palestinians.

These tenets are indisputable and incontrovertible. This government hopes to actively and effectively seek Arab unanimity, continue to heal splits in Arab ranks and build the common institutions on which Arab solidarity is based and to contribute to channelling Arab action to the right course.

**Q. Concerning the Camp David agreements, the new American delegate to the autonomy talks has said that it was essential for the United States to mount a serious effort to convince Jordan to join these talks. Are there guarantees which, if given to Jordan, might make it join the talks?**

**A.** There have been no contacts between the government of the United States and the Jordanian government on Jordan's joining the talks in progress within the Camp David framework. The reason is clear: Jordan accepts neither the Camp David agreements nor the negotiations which are taking place within their framework. We believe that the so-called autonomy negotiations in progress between Egypt and Israel under the auspices of the United States are on a dead-end street in so far as they concern Israeli withdrawal, self-determination for the Palestinian people and their setting up an independent national entity on their national soil.

The Jordanian government therefore rejects the entire framework and the participation of Jordan in these talks is not an issue.

**Q. In view of the fact that Jordan, as a state, cannot take part in the autonomy talks, don't you believe it would be better for Palestinians in the occupied territories to take part in them so as to prevent decisions in which they had no part being forced on them?**

**A.** We do not accept that line of reasoning, because the policy which Israel is pursuing in the (occupied) territories is to undermine the foundations on which Palestinian self-determination can be based.

For instance, Israel is bent, with great determination, on building settlements in the occupied territories, on swallowing up those territories and absorbing them economically and distorting their human, material and cultural features while hiding under the cloak of the autonomy talks.

That is why there has been no progress in these talks. That is also why there is no question, as far as we are concerned, of the inhabitants of the occupied territories, cooperating with the occupation

authorities within this proposed framework or with the illegitimate agreements based on recognising the occupation and legitimising it.

**Q. But is there not a fear that the inhabitants of the occupied territories may have formula for autonomy foisted on them without having had the opportunity to reject it at a time when the Arab countries have been unable to put forward an alternative solution?**

**A.** There is no alternative to two things: the Palestinian people in the occupied territories standing up to the implantation of settlements, and continued and full Arab support for their steadfastness and building up Arab strength, which will serve to alter the balance of power between Israel and the Arabs. I mean will alter the political, economic, military, moral and material balance of power. That is the only way to change the equation in the region and to open the door to a just peace.

At the same time, the Arab nation must be active internationally to gain support, to isolate the position of the enemy and to present the Arab position with a constructive mentality and in a form that could attract support. Any deviation from this context is surrender to the will of the enemy occupying our lands and surrender to the major world powers which support the Israeli occupation, it is surrender to the attempt to split up the Arab nation. We must be aware of that and we must give free rein to the forces of steadfastness and action in the Arab homeland.

**Q. It was decided at the Tunis conference to mount an international diplomatic campaign. How far has this campaign got?**

**A.** The Arab diplomatic campaign will be organised by Arab foreign ministers at their forthcoming meeting in the near future, in cooperation with the Secretariat General of the Arab League. The Arab foreign ministers have already laid the foundations for this, arrangements are in progress, and we hope that the ministers concerned will take action as soon as possible.

**Q. The working paper Jordan presented at the Tunis summit focussed on the need for a special Arab oil policy for developing consumer countries. What is the basis of this policy, and is there an energy crisis in Jordan?**

**A.** The energy problem is complicated, whether at the international or the local levels. Along with many non-oil producing Arab states, we in Jordan are suffering from the continuous and escalating rise in oil prices. We understand the legitimate demands of our sister oil-producing states, we understand there must be a balance between the prices of the raw materials exported by the Third World and the manufactured products produced and exported by the major industrial countries. This means a change in and restructuring of the international economic order. But to be precise, as far as we are concerned, we hope it will be possible for us, in cooperation with our sister oil-producing Arab states, to secure a steady flow of oil to the Arab nation, particularly to the non-oil producing states, in accordance with their needs and at reasonable and moderate prices, which will not have an adverse effect on the economic situation in those countries.

**Q. Is there a practical initiative in this direction in progress at this time? And is Jordan making an**

attempt to secure oil at a rate below the current price?

**A.** We will be affected by the increase in the prices of oil if it is applied to us. The price Jordan has had to pay for its oil has been steadily increasing in past years. We need an agreement with our brethren to solve this problem in a way that will protect their interests and ours.

**Q. Since the Baghdad summit, Jordan has been relying on Arab aid to bolster its steadfastness. Is this aid enough? Has each state lived up to its obligations?**

**A.** We are satisfied with the continued Arab support for Jordan; we have nothing to complain about. We hope that, under all eventualities, Arab support for Jordan and the confrontation states will develop so that it will be in conformity with the major responsibilities, which these states have to bear. These responsibilities are steadily increasing in all fields, for the confrontation states have to build up their strength in all fields, in addition to having to face up to international political and economic pressures. This requires that those Arab states which are in a position to do so should look for various means to increase and bolster their support. Nevertheless, most Arab states are living up to their obligations in a regular fashion.

**Q. Are the arms which Jordan is buying from Europe an effective substitute for American arms? Is there an inclination to buy weapons from the Soviet Union?**

**A.** When it comes to arms, we are bound by only one consideration: the effectiveness, abundance and prices of the arms and when credit has to be repaid. We have no other conditions. We are therefore looking for the most suitable arms from the best sources and without restrictions.

**Q. There is relative immobility in the activities of Jordanian-Syrian joint committees, and a feeling that Syrian-Jordanian integration programmes have not made much progress either in the military or the political field for a long time. Where do Syrian-Jordanian relations stand today?**

**A.** Relations between Jordan and Syria are very good, cooperation is going ahead, meetings are going ahead and we are pleased with the level of cooperation. We hope joint institutions within the programme that has been agreed will continue to develop and that mutual support between Jordan and Syria against the Israeli enemy and against attempts at fragmentation of the region will continue and will increase.

**Q. Is there coordination in the military field and in armament between Jordan and Syria and among the confrontation states as a whole?**

**A.** There is cooperation in various fields which we are trying to promote in the interest of the Arab cause.

**Q. Do you believe that the boycott of Egypt has had any results, whether economic or political?**

**A.** The boycott is not a cause of pleasure to the Arabs; it was an inescapable decision. It was not directed at the fraternal Egyptian people, but at Israeli infiltration of the Arab World through Egypt. So the boycott decisions have served their purpose. We hope that Arab steadfastness will continue and will prevent any further splits in the Arab nation.

**Q. Don't you think that the Egyptian initiative which the Arabs rejected has had some positive results at the diplomatic and political levels?**

**A.** The Egyptian initiative failed miserably in changing the state of affairs in Egypt and in the region, and it has provided very effective cover for Israel's tyrannical policy.

### WHAT'S GOING ON

#### Exhibition

The Goethe Institute, in cooperation with the Dept. of Culture and Arts, presents an exhibition of contemporary German graphic art from the art centres of Stuttgart, Karlsruhe and Munich. The exhibition is on display during regular hours until Saturday, January 5.

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# Moving Visions Dance Theatre

## puts on thrilling show in Amman

By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN, Jan. 1 — At the Jordan theatre, on the evening of Dec. 30, an appreciative audience of 100 applauded well-produced dances drawn from Shakespeare by Sue Little and Ross McKim, two modern dancers with new ideas and full of potential.

To familiarise the audience with the movements and the dancing, the dancers did their warming up exercises in full dress on stage while the hall was filling up. After the final exit and re-entry used to mark the end of each exercise, Ross McKim took a good look at the audience, sizing them up.

These preliminaries and the short introductions, given by Ross McKim at the start of each of the three parts, built up an atmosphere of two-sided participation by dancers and audience in the production.

The delight of the audience stemmed not only from the dancers themselves but also from the atmosphere created by excellent sound and lighting effects and the unusual fact that the show was not interrupted by the accustomed incidental camera flashes, blinding TV lights and reporters and photographers wandering on and off stage.

The "Moving Visions Dance Theatre" — that is the name Ross McKim and Sue Little have chosen for themselves — presented "Dances of Love and Death from Shakespeare" a three-part show made up of danced sketches taken from Shakespeare plays.

Choreographed by Ross McKim, these sections were too reminiscent of classical, aesthetic ballet. He failed to capitalise fully on the strong emotional conflicts that usually provide such rich material for choreographers of modern dance and substance for intensely expressive gestures. This type of moderate expressionism would fit better in sections of a full ballet than in short sketches. Yet what this part lacked in dramatic effect it made up for through poignant and very subtle eroticism, especially in the love duet, which qualifies it as modern dance. Sue Little's beautifully designed outfits were a big success.

Ross McKim's background is mostly classical ballet; he danced with some very prestigious troupes, including the National Ballet of Canada, the Royal Danish Ballet and the London Contemporary Dance Theatre. Sue Little received her training in America at the Martha Graham School and the Cunningham, Nicholas and Ailey studios. They both rebelled against institutionalised dance and joined forces in 1976 to create their own troupe. They bring to their performances two contrasting styles of modern dance, born of widely differing disciplines under which they trained.

Part two, choreographed by Sue Little, is called "Phases of Madness". It was danced to the music of Sibelius' symphony No. 3, turned around, third movement first and first movement last. The first section depicts the Fool berating King Lear for giving up the throne. "Thou hast little wit in this bold crown when thou gavest thy gold one away," as Ross McKim explained. Yet as the dance unfolds, it is not clear that their intention is to show the Fool trying to coax King Lear into behaving like a king once more, at least not as the king he once was. Right from the moment King Lear in his disordered stance stepped onto stage, he headed straight for the crown. The Fool, danced exquisitely by Sue Little, kept toying with the crown and seemed to spend her time keeping it from the king rather than coaxing him to take it up again. There is subtlety and rich satire in Sue Little's treatment of the theme.

The next section, immersed in purple light, featured a purple-skinned Ophelia sad and confused by Hamlet's unstable love. A sudden and expressive gesture of hurt with both hands clasped on the side of the abdomen and with the body wringing into an unnatural bend successfully reflected Ophelia's proud but intense distress: "I was the more deceived."

This sketch, more than any other, shows the influence of the Martha Graham technique. It is rich and moving in its simplicity and poignancy. The expression is

## Sue Little & Ross McKim of Moving Visions Dance Theatre



The cover of the programme for the Moving Visions Dance Theatre performance in Amman Sunday night.

as direct as it is captivating.

The final section of "Phases of Madness" is a hilarious comedy based on a most original interpretation of Cleopatra's dramatic death through the bite of an asp: "... for his biting is immortal: those who die of it do seldom or never recover."

The asp is acted out by a snarling Ross McKim, a welcome though perhaps technically lighter change from the usual smooth coiling and entertaining one associates with the snake. The light-hearted comedy of Cleopatra at first hesitantly offering her bare throat to the bite of the snake then the asp pursuing the queen who has suddenly decided she just won't be bitten is charming. Under hypnosis, the snake finally manages to sink his fangs in and she dies, not however without a few unexpected revivals on her part which exasperate the asp.

After the intermission, Moving Visions presented the cream of the evening's programme: the "Crown of Blood" or Act 2 from their full length production of Macbeth. In this jointly choreographed piece, a great deal of thought was put into expressionism and symbolism. Lady Macbeth's guilt-ridden obsession with her bloody hands develops into a most moving highlight when the tormented murderer crouches in the right-hand corner of the front stage, with a pool of red light focusing on her, and kills herself.

Macbeth, walking in a stupor, barely seems to recognise her death. Unavoidably, he is led by her ghost, who also symbolises his Fate and perhaps the spirit of irrevocable doom, to his own

death. This spirit is portrayed by the reappearance of Lady Macbeth garbed in a black cloak and a chilling mask, animated by a convulsive mad laugh. Contemporary Polish composer Bela Bartok's rousing Concerto for Orchestra is an inspired choice for these larger than life characters, appropriately acted out with larger than life movements. The spirit of tragedy is well captured in this inspired piece.

Ross McKim and Sue Little have rightly perceived modern dance's potential as a "dance theatre" whose aim is to translate "moving visions". They have a lot of potential that has yet to be realised.

Moving Visions was founded three years ago and started their activities in Northern England to a general population "knowing about dance as little as the audience tonight." This prompted a Shakespeare programme, because Shakespeare themes are familiar to everyone which should be conducive to the enjoyment of the medium of expression.

Sue Little views dance not only as a means of expression, but as a mode of therapy as well. When this American dancer first arrived in England, she worked for a time with training centres for severely subnormal children, as well as for children under intensive care. For these physically and mentally handicapped children, she incorporated dance movements with music and song to produce game-like sessions where the children learnt rough movements, which

once mastered, were gradually refined to the finer movements used for daily life, such as holding a spoon and lifting it to one's mouth.

Since the Moving Visions Dance Theatre have their own ballet school in England, the two dancers kindly agreed, through the British Council, to give a teaching class in modern dance to the students of the Betty Hijazi School of Ballet in Jabal Amman on Monday.

The Moving Visions Dance Theatre based at the Darlington Arts Centre, in the north of England. The company quickly established itself with successful tours within Britain and negotiations are at present under way to expand as a northern regional company, supported by all the regional arts associations in the area. It will be changing its name to the more conservative "English Dance Theatre" when the group expands to 6 members in April 1980.

The company's appearance in Jordan has been arranged by the British Council in cooperation with the Department of Culture and Arts as part of a British Council tour which will also take them to Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, Egypt, Greece and Cyprus. They have been to Turkey before coming to Jordan.

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## Jordan opposed to intervention in Afghanistan

AMMAN, Jan. 1 (JNA) — Jordan rejects any form of intervention by a nation in the affairs of another, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Marwan Al Qasbi said yesterday.

In a statement to the Jordan News Agency, commenting on the situation in Afghanistan, the minister said that although the real situation in Afghanistan is still not clear, Jordan, in keeping with the charters of the United Nations and the Arab League, rejects any form of foreign political or military intervention in the affairs of a nation.

## East Bank population: 2,152,273

By Serene K. Farraj  
Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN, Jan. 1 — According to the result of the population census conducted in November last year, there are 2,152,273 people living in the East Bank of Jordan, it was announced at a press conference on Sunday by the Minister of Industry and Trade, Mr. Ali Nsour. Of this figure, 1,124,977 (52 per cent) are male and 1,027,296 are female.

Mr. Nsour said this number represents the people residing in Jordan on the night of Nov. 10, 1979, as well as Jordanians who were abroad on that night, for reasons of tourism, studying, medical treatment, etc. This figure does not include Jordanians working abroad, who number approximately 500,000 to 750,000.

He said that the Governorate of

Amman is the most densely populated district. Its population is 1,187,750, or 55 per cent of the people living in the East Bank.

The Governorate of Irbid is the second most populated centre, its population being 611,658, or 28 per cent of the people living in the East Bank.

The people living in the Bqlqa Governorate number 151,382, or seven per cent of all East Bank residents.

The population of the Karak Governorate is 126,082, or six per cent of the East Bank population.

Mr. Nsour said the population constitutes for per cent of the total population of the East Bank, with 75,401 residents.

Mr. Nsour went on to say that "only three cities account for 45 per cent of the East Bank's total population. They are Amman, 648,587, Zarqa, 215,687, and Irbid, 112,954."

"Based on the censuses carried out during 1952, 1961 and 1979 the rate of growth in the East Bank is 4.8 per cent," Mr. Nsour said. "This high rate is due to three main factors:

1. The continues decline in the death rate due to improvement in preventive medicine and better clinical and hospital treatment.

2. A slight increase in the rate of birth from 47.3 per thousand in 1960 to 50 per thousand in 1979.

3. The emigration of workers to Jordan outnumbered the emigration of workers from Jordan by around 10,000, thus increasing the population growth rate from 3.8 to 4.8 per cent.

The census also indicates that Amman, Zarqa, Irbid, and Aqaba are the cities attracting the bulk of the population movement. Their average yearly growth rates have been 4.37, 4.49, 5.15, and 6.1 per cent respectively.

## Local News Briefs

AMMAN, Jan. 1 (JNA) — His Majesty King Hussein visited the army headquarters at noon Sunday and met briefly with the Commander in Chief of the Jordanian Armed Forces, Lt. Gen. Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker. During the meeting, attended by Prime Minister Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf, a number of matters connected with the armed forces were discussed.

AMMAN, Jan. 1 (JNA) — The Prime Minister, Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf, received in his office today the Speaker of the Palestinian National Council, Mr. Khalid Al Fakhour. Mr. Fakhour presented his congratulations to the prime minister on his forming the new government. The meeting was attended by the Speaker of the Upper House of Parliament, Mr. Bahjat Talhouni.

AMMAN, Jan. 1 (JNA) — The former Belgian prime minister and president of the Belgian Christian Social Party, Mr. Leo Tindemans, left here this evening for Damascus after a three-day visit to Jordan during which he met with top Jordanian officials. He told JNA that he discussed with Jordanian officials latest Middle East developments and means of strengthening bilateral economic relations between Jordan and Belgium. Mr. Tindemans praised Jordan's achievements in various construction and economic fields.

AMMAN, Jan. 1 (JNA) — The Jordanian delegation to the meeting of the Arab League Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organisation (ALESCO) held in Tunis on Dec. 24 returned here on Sunday. The under-secretary of the Ministry of Education, Mr. Ahmad Al 'Aqayleh, the head of the Jordanian delegation, told JNA that ALESCO approved the unification of curricula among Arab countries within the framework of the Arab strategy, and the coordination of cultural cooperation between Arab and other countries. It also agreed on spreading the Arabic language and Islamic culture in other countries, and on formulating programmes to study the environment in the Red Sea, the Gulf of Aden and other Arab seas. Mr. Aqayleh added. The meeting was attended by Arab member states.

AMMAN, Jan. 1 (JNA) — The Director General of the Amman Financial Market, Dr. Hashem Sabbagh, announced today that the volume traded for various sectors during last year was JD 15,845,159. He said, during a press conference, that the rate of increase over 1978 was 182.1 per cent, as the volume traded in that year was JD 5,615,291.

AMMAN, Jan. 1 (JNA) — The Minister of Agriculture, Dr. Qasim Al Rimawi today called on governors in various parts of the kingdom to submit their suggestions and projections to the Ministry of Agriculture for it to formulate a plan for the afforestation of arid land in cooperation with the private sector. This morning, Mr. Rimawi, chaired a meeting to discuss specifications for agricultural products exported to Iraq. The meeting was attended by the ministers of industry and trade supply, the director general of the Jordan Cooperatives Organisation and a number of specialists.

## Soviet troops clash with Amin's supporters

(Continued from page 1)

Izvestia said the U.S. had wanted to seize control of Afghanistan to make up for its loss as the dominant influence in Iran under the deposed Shah.

The article, which accused Washington of inspiring a counter-revolutionary insurgency in Afghanistan, indicated that the Kremlin intended to direct its propaganda against the U.S. to deflect charges that it engineered

last Thursday's coup.

In Brussels, West Germany suggested today that NATO nations should consider boycotting this year's Moscow Olympics if Soviet troops remain in Afghanistan, according to alliance sources.

At an emergency session of envoys of the 15-nation alliance today some other NATO members agreed that an Olympics boycott should be studied, the sources added.

Dr. Joseph Luns, secretary general of the alliance, said the presence of Soviet troops in Afghanistan was "a flagrant violation of international law and a threat to peace."

It was the first time Moscow had used its military might directly and massively in a country outside the Soviet bloc, he said in a statement after the meeting.

NATO sources said envoys of different countries suggested they should discuss reducing commercial and cultural ties with the Soviet Union.

West Germany recalled the 1936 Olympics when Adolf Hitler's Germany turned the Berlin games into a major Nazi propaganda exercise.

It asked whether the West should give the Kremlin such an opportunity at a time when its troops were in once non-aligned Afghanistan, 500 kilometres from the Strait of Hormuz, which guards the entrance to the oil-rich Gulf.

But the sources said no decision was taken today, and there was no move towards an actual boycott.

NATO envoys agreed that the Kremlin could not expect detente with the west and freedom to move its troops into neighbouring countries.

They asked how Moscow could afford to take so big a risk, with interview, conducted in Brussels, the likelihood that its soldiers may

have to shoot at Muslim militants, the sources said. They argued this could spark trouble with Afghanistan's Iranian and Pakistani neighbours and among Soviet Central Asian Muslims, many of whom have ethnic ties with Afghans.

Dr. Luns told a West German newspaper the Soviet use of "naked military force" in Afghanistan was a dangerous escalation of its activity there.

Asked by the mass circulation daily Bild Zeitung about President Brezhnev's assertion that Afghanistan had been threatened, Dr. Luns replied: "Nobody threatened Afghanistan. There was internal unrest. The Soviet explanation represents a perversion of the UNC (United Nations Charter)."

He said the West's determination to maintain a military balance had been strengthened and its decision last month to deploy medium-range nuclear missiles had been vindicated.

The west would decide in concert how best to defend its interests, he said. Asked about western participation at the Moscow Olympics, Dr. Luns replied: "I am sure that this question will now be examined by the nations of the NATO alliance."

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## Bad weather postpones U.K. soccer matches

LONDON, Jan. 1 (AP)—Icy weather today wrecked Britain's big new year's day sports programme. Heavy overnight frost forced the postponement of 28 English and Scottish league soccer matches. Four First Division games—Stoke vs. Liverpool, Manchester United vs. Bolton, Tottenham vs. Wolverhampton and Aston Villa vs. Manchester City—were among the casualties. Three league matches were played this morning and Arsenal leap-frogged over Southampton into third place in the First Division by winning 1-0 at the Dell. Luton and Chelsea shared six goals to draw in a Second Division promotion clash at Kenilworth Road, but Chelsea manager Geoff Hurst said: "The game should not have been played. The surface was not suitable for good soccer." In the Third Division, Exeter drew with Plymouth 2-2.

## Vilas advances to Australian Open finals

MELBOURNE, Australia, Jan. 1 (AP)—Top seeded Guillermo Vilas' opponent in the Australian Open Tennis Championships was undecided after a postponement and an ice-box-smashing incident by a possible challenger, Vilas, who advanced to the finals with a four-set win over American Victor Amaya, a definite starter for the final at Melbourne's Kooyong Stadium. But his opponent and the date of the final were uncertain late today. The second men's single semifinal was thrown into confusion and postponed Tuesday when American John Sadri, playing Australian veteran Colin Dibley, became involved in a series of sensational incidents.

The meeting to decide possible action against Sadri, and to set a schedule for the remainder of Australia's major tennis tournament, was still under way an hour after play had ended for the day. Sadri won the first two sets 6-4, 7-6, but went down in the third 7-6 after protesting about the falling light. His temper flared on a number of occasions, and organisers said the tournament referee was considering allegations of obscene language and gestures. In one of the incidents Sadri—who was fined 250 Australian dollars yesterday for allegedly indecent language—smashed an ice-box with his racket. After the third set, Sadri said: "I think that if the match had gone on any longer I would have been lynched." The match was unfinished as darkness fell, and is now expected to be completed tomorrow. In turn, that was expected to force postponement of the final to Thursday—one day later than the scheduled finish of the tournament. The delays were expected to lead to the postponement of the men's doubles until Thursday.

In the first semi-final, on the centre court, Vilas won a tough battle against tall American Victor Amaya. The Argentinian, a hot favourite for the title, won the first set 7-5, but Amaya fought back to take the second 6-3, and took Vilas to tie-breakers in the next two sets before valiantly conceding defeat.

## U.S. runners win marathon

SAO PAULO, Brazil, Jan. 1 (AP)—Dana Slater of the United States won the women's championship for the second time in a

row in the St. Silvester International Footrace here just after midnight this morning. Her time was 29 minutes, 7 seconds, which was 5 minutes, 41 seconds behind the male winner, Herb Lindsay, also of the United States. She finished a minute, 57 seconds ahead of the second woman, Colombia's Debora Medina. It really wasn't much of a race for Slater, 20, who is rapidly becoming one of the best women distance runners in the United States. She moved out front early and ran home.

Born in Long Island, New York, she went across country to study at the University of Boulder, Colorado but she dropped out in 1979 to run, and now she's getting ready for the Olympic trials set for mid-summer. "I'm a lot stronger and a lot faster than I ever thought I could be," Slater said before the race here. But surprisingly, she's not very confident about the Olympics. "My best distances are 10,000 metres and the (26-mile) marathon but in the Olympics the women only run up to 1,500 metres. But the experience will be good and I hope that by 1980, when I'll be at my peak, they will have longer distances."

## Australians to be led by former captain

SYDNEY, Jan. 1 (R)—The Australian cricket selectors have turned to former test captain Ian Chappell to lift the side out of the doldrums. Chappell was named in the 13-man squad from which the team will be chosen to play England in the second test in Sydney beginning on Friday. Chappell's return to the test scene comes despite the fact that he is under the cloud of a six weeks suspended sentence for misconduct following incidents in the recent match between South Australia and England in Adelaide. Earlier he incurred the wrath of the Australian cricket board (ACB) with a three weeks suspension following an umpire's report on his conduct during a match between South Australia and Tasmania. There is some neat domestic and coaching planning behind the big time tennis resurgence of 35-year-old former Sydney customs officer Colin Dibley. Dibley overcame his biggest present day hurdle when he dismissed former national title-holder Mark Edmondson from the \$400,000 Marlboro Australian Open at Kooyong today. In a five-set quarterfinal battle which started late yesterday and was halted at two sets to one in Edmondson's favour because of bad light, Dibley took control today and went on to his best Australian performance in recent years. After levelling the match at 7-6 in a tie-breaker, Dibley slumped temporarily in the vital fifth set, then steadied to wear Edmondson down and win 3-6, 6-4, 3-6, 7-6, 6-4.

"My coach in San Francisco, Jack Shaw, was worried by my up-and-down form in the last couple of years," the New Jersey-based Dibley said. "Also my wife Carol was really on to me to play full time. Carol and Jack used to talk on the telephone at night about it and together they formed the opinion that I should go on. I knew at the time that I was not giving tennis my full effort and I began to think why I shouldn't be playing as well as I did in 1974 and a little later when I was ranked 33rd in the world. "I slid to 150 at one stage, but this latest tournament has now brought me well back into the higher rankings." Dibley's new found dedication was reflected when he was down 4-0 in the final set against Edmondson. "I wasn't confident at that stage, but with the grass courts not playing fast and knowing I had a chance of breaking Mark when he was serving into the wind, I kept going and was actually able to break him twice," Dibley said.

## West Indies defeat Australia

MELBOURNE, Jan. 1 (R)—The West Indies crushed Australia by ten wickets in the second cricket test here today to take a 1-0 lead in the three-match series. Australia were dismissed for 259 in

their second innings and West Indies openers Gordon Greenidge and Desmond Haynes scored the 19 needed to give the side their first test victory at Melbourne in 50 years. The West Indies four-pronged pace attack did the damage, with Andy Roberts and Colin Croft taking three wickets each and Michael Holding and Joel Garner sharing the other four. Australia, who resumed at 167 for three and needed 74 more to avoid an innings defeat, lost their remaining seven wickets for 92. Vice-captain Kim Hughes was top scorer with 70, while Bruce Laird hit 69. West Indies batsman Viv Richards won the man of the match award for his 96 in the team's first innings total of 397. Scores: Australia 156 and 259; West Indies 397 and 22 for no wicket.

## Woman wins fortune in soccer pools

NOTTINGHAM, England, Jan. 1 (AP)—A woman who said she had trouble finding enough money to buy Christmas presents was told yesterday she has won \$24,167 pounds on the weekly soccer pools, the second biggest-ever win. The woman, who asked to remain anonymous, is an accounts clerk in this central England town. She told a reporter: "I am thinking of buying the family another round of Christmas presents." The bettor staked 82.5 pence (\$1.83) on her coupon in forecasting which eight games among 50 would end in score draws, such as 1-1 or 2-2. Nobody else among the 14 million bettors matched her in the number of correct forecasts. The difficulty of pools forecasting has been likened to the chances of a golfer teeing off at random in the middle of a one-acre field divided into one-inch squares and landing the ball on a particular square. The Littlewoods pools Company, Britain's biggest promoter of the postal gamble, said the win is the second largest ever in a record year for big wins. The firm said it paid out five checks each worth more than 750,000 pounds in 1979.

## National Basketball Assn. standings

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## FORECAST FOR WEDNESDAY, JAN. 2, 1980

### YOUR DAILY Horoscope

from the Carroll Righter Institute

**GENERAL TENDENCIES:** Today finds you in considerable tension if you try to do more than you can handle, so stick to the tried and true for best results. Maintain a cheerful manner at all times.

**ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)** Try to be more helpful to those who have been good to you in the past and gain their goodwill. Think constructively.

**TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)** Spend less for entertainment than you have lately and build up your assets. Be careful with facts and figures.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 21)** Make things better for family members, but do so unobtrusively. Take time to improve your surroundings. Be logical.

**MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21)** Study plans in which you stand to make a big profit. Obtain the data you need from the right sources.

**LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21)** A good day for contacting good friends and business associates and getting excellent results. Be kind in dealing with others.

**VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22)** Plan how best to cut down on expenses and don't trouble others who may be having financial problems. Be more optimistic.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)** State your aims to others and gain their assistance. Avoid one who is greedy, selfish, untrustworthy and unpleasant.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)** Take time to entertain good friends and repay social obligations that are important. Persevere and gain your aims.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)** Get busy on career matters early in the day and get excellent results. Show others that you have wisdom.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20)** New projects appeal to you from a monetary standpoint. A new contact could prove helpful to you at this time.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19)** It's important you show more affection for the one you love and forget those hobbies you have for now. Be wise.

**PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20)** Converse with those who can be of assistance to you and state your aims clearly. Be clear of a troublemaker.



### JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME  
by Henri Arnold and Bob Lee

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

MAGEL  
KYSHU  
ENIAMA  
DITORR

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Print answer here: \_\_\_\_\_

Answers tomorrow

Yesterday's Jumbles: TOXIC WOVEN SUBURB ELEVEN  
Answer: A few words that might take time to work out—A SENTENCE

### THE Daily Crossword

by Norton Rhoades

ACROSS  
1 Wheat Virginia product  
5 To do  
9 Sign on a door  
14 Fissure  
15 Weak  
16 Direction  
17 Abbreviated queen  
18 Different  
19 Court case  
20 Meeny's companion  
21 Enzyme  
22 Creatures  
23 Extreme depressions

DOWN  
2 Ship letters  
27 Integers  
28 Sharp tool  
31 Shut  
34 WWI cannon  
37 Halo  
38 Ebbs  
39 Mother of Don Juan  
40 Positions  
42 Oatmeal cake  
43 Barnyard bird  
44 American cartoonist  
45 Oie!  
46 Ignis fatuus

52 Duesing assistant  
55 — Magnon  
56 Mother of Romulus and Remus  
57 Downright  
58 Word on a stamp  
59 Beetles  
60 Demi-  
61 She, in Nice  
62 People  
63 Longhorn  
64 Buddies  
65 Walk in water

22 Ninnies  
24 Mao — tung  
25 Gloomy  
26 Clean and family  
28 — time (never)  
29 — shall we three...  
30 Be idle  
31 Money  
32 Stringed instrument  
33 Algerian port  
34 Hackneyed  
35 Participle ending  
36 Con man's target  
38 Brandish  
41 Not  
42 Engineer's rating  
45 — scholar  
46 For better or —  
47 City in Florida  
48 Musical sound  
49 Ms. Massey  
50 Founded a family  
51 Old hat  
52 Big planes  
53 State: Fr.  
54 Cartoon  
58 Certain rally

Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:  
ASPIN SPIN QIDETS  
BOON AERO CIVIL  
ADIT PERI AVERY  
POLE PRES SIEVE  
EMERGE SEWER  
VERDIT DIVISIER  
ASHEN TISLE TOMA  
SLODS ABLE AETION  
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DVOH EXALITS  
REMO ALAR TAVAN  
BATLIN MITTE DIED  
LASIS DYED NEIST

### Peanuts

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, SIR?  
QUIET, MARCIE... I'M TRYING TO MAKE THE TEACHER BELIEVE I'M THINKING...  
IF SHE BELIEVES THAT, SHE'LL BELIEVE ANYTHING  
SARCASM, MARCIE, WILL TURN YOUR TONGUE INTO A CARROT STICK!

### Andy Capp

A BIT EARLY TO JUDGE YET, MISTER CAPP...  
THINK YOU'RE GOING TO LIKE LIVING UP HERE, MISTER POTTS?  
AREN'T THERE ANY TEE-TOTALLERS IN THIS TOWN?  
SURE, THERE ARE—  
BUT I CAN'T SAY I'VE GOT TIME FOR EITHER OF THEM

### Mutt 'n' Jeff

WOW! I WIN!!! I HAVE A ROYAL FLUSH! READ AND WEEP!  
OKAY, BOYS! THIS IS A PINCH!  
IT'S AGAINST THE LAW TO GAMBLE IN THIS STATE, SO I FINE YOU EACH FIFTY DOLLARS!  
BUT YOUR HONOR, WE WERE PLAYING WITH CHIPS NOT WITH MONEY!  
THAT DOES NOT ALTER THE CRIME! CHIPS REPRESENT MONEY!  
OKAY, JUDGE! HERE'S MY FIFTY DOLLAR FINE!

### Flintstones

OH, OH!!  
YABBA-DABBA DOO-O!  
LOOK—A NEAT CHAIR!  
WELL—THAT'S A STARTER! NOW, HOW ABOUT SOME FOOD?!

### CROSSWORD

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### THE BETTER HALF

By Vinson

"It looks like we had similar days. You're rolling your dough and I was rolled for mine!"

## GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF  
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Both vulnerable. East deals.

**NORTH**  
♠ A 10 6 4  
♥ Q J 3  
♦ 6  
♣ K Q 9 8 2

**WEST**  
♠ Q 8 5  
♥ K 9 5  
♦ 8 3 2  
♣ A 7 5 4

**EAST**  
♠ J 7  
♥ 8 7 6 4  
♦ A Q J 10 9  
♣ 10 3

**SOUTH**  
♠ K 9 3 2  
♥ A 10 2  
♦ K 7 5 4  
♣ J 6

The bidding:  
East South West North  
Pass Pass Pass 1 ♠  
1 ♠ 1 ♠ 2 ♠ 2 ♠  
2 ♠ 3 ♠ 3 ♠ 4 ♠  
by (S) Pass Pass  
Opening lead: Eight of ♣.

The "Devil's Coup" is one of the rarest plays in bridge. Suddenly, however, it seems to be cropping up all over the place. We reported one a short while ago. Here's another from Hungary's match against Britain in the recent European Championships.

Both teams reached four spades on this hand. The British declarer played the hand routinely after a diamond lead and a heart shift, and lost a trick in each suit. The result seemed normal, but watch what happened when Miklos Dumbovich was at the helm.

Here, too, the lead was a diamond, won by the ace, and the shift was to a heart. Declarer ducked and the king won. West cashed the ace of clubs and then reverted to hearts, and the defenders sat back to wait for their trump trick. For all we know, they are still waiting.

Declarer won the heart in dummy and cashed the king-queen of clubs. East discarded a heart on the second club and declarer parted with the heart ace. Declarer ruffed a heart, cashed the king of diamonds and ruffed a diamond, then ruffed a club. This was the position:

♠ A 10 6  
♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ Q 8 5

♠ J 7  
♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ —

♠ K 9  
♥ —  
♦ 7  
♣ —

Declarer led a diamond, and no matter what West elected to do, the defenders' trump trick had vanished. Dumbovich played the hand with great skill, but East had two chances to break up the coup. On the third and fourth rounds of clubs, East could have shuffled diamonds while retaining all of his hearts, which would have led to a different end position. Or, when the last club was led from the table, East could have ruffed with the jack, which would have prevented declarer from picking up West's trumps.

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7:30 News in Hebrew  
8:00 Daily News  
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10:00 News in English  
10:15 The Professionals

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# Guerrilla infiltrations into Rhodesia reported

**SALISBURY, Rhodesia, Jan. 1 (AP)** War-weary Rhodesia edged into 1980 today with pealing church bells, parties and fresh reports of new border infiltrations by black nationalist guerrillas breaching the four-day-old, tenuous Rhodesian ceasefire.

Salisbury's Anglican Cathedral rang in the new year with ringing bells, and many churches of all denominations held midnight services to pray for the uneasy year ahead.

The staid Salisbury set danced to big-band music at the Meikles Hotel while Rock music blared from garden parties in Salisbury suburbs.

Whites forgot about their problems for the moment. They have been preoccupied with the prospect of black nationalist guerrillas winning power in British-ruled elections next month after seven years of bloody war and 20,000 deaths on both sides.

## Cardinal defends Vatican order against Kueng

**BONN, West Germany, Jan. 1 (AP)**—Cardinal Joseph Höffner has defended the controversial Vatican order suspending the teaching mandate of Swiss theologian Hans Kueng.

Cardinal Höffner, chairman of the German Bishops' Conference, yesterday branded "dishonest" Dr. Kueng's contention that the order was issued to silence an "irresponsible critic" of the Roman Catholic hierarchy.



Hans Kueng

"The single basis for withdrawing the church teaching permit is that Professor Kueng is not ready in fundamental questions of faith, despite ten years of efforts by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, to recognise unequivocally a belief in the church," Cardinal Höffner said in a statement.

The Vatican confirmed on Sunday its decision to remove Dr. Kueng as professor of dogmatic and ecumenical theology at West Germany's Tübingen University, where he has taught since 1960.

The 51-year-old priest, world-renowned as a liberal theologian, reacted by accusing Pope John Paul of condemning him without a proper hearing. He vowed to fight the ban.

Dr. Kueng upset the Vatican by challenging the doctrine of papal infallibility and questioning the accepted doctrine that Christ was the son of God and born of a virgin mother.

In his statement, Cardinal Höffner said Dr. Kueng's demand for a papal audience to discuss the controversy demonstrated his "terribly exaggerated self-confidence."

The Cardinal said Dr. Kueng had repeatedly refused to meet with the Congregation of the Doctrine of Faith in Rome, which he described as the proper forum for discussion.

Cardinal Höffner said he was confident that theological faculties, church councils and other Catholics would support the Vatican's stand.

## Kyprianou reiterates proposal for complete Cyprus demilitarisation

**NICOSIA, Cyprus, Jan. 1 (AP)**—Cyprus President Spyros Kyprianou yesterday reiterated his proposal for the complete demilitarisation of Cyprus as a basic step for the settlement of the problem of the war-divided island.

"We do not want our island to be a place of peace and love," Mr. Kyprianou stated in a New Year's message.



President Kyprianou

"It's going to be a hell of a year," toasted one young woman at a local party, "but for now, it's time to dance and be happy."

Colonial Governor Lord Soames took a helicopter trip to see guerrilla assembly points this morning.

The election campaign kicked off today with political ads in the Herald, Salisbury's newspaper. British military sources supervising the ceasefire said the ceasefire was still working despite the new evidence of infiltration.

A military communique late yesterday confirmed previous unofficial reports that a white farmer, three guerrillas and one Rhodesian security force member had been killed in incidents since the ceasefire took effect. By contrast, prior to the ceasefire, an average of 20 persons were killed daily here.

About 3,000 guerrillas have now entered special assembly areas in the Rhodesian bush or are in contact with ceasefire monitoring officials.

The British sources steered away from calling the new infiltrations a formal breach of the ceasefire accord, reached in London on Dec. 21 between guerrillas and the Salisbury regime of Prime Minister Abel Muzorewa.

"That is up to the ceasefire commission," the officials said. The commission, made up of representatives from the British military, Rhodesian security forces and the guerrillas, holds its first formal meeting tomorrow.

Under the terms of the agreement, designed to bring peace here and to allow both guerrillas and local politicians to campaign for a fresh election to make Rhodesia a full-fledged republic, Rhodesian and guerrilla forces are supposed to stay put.

The Rhodesians, except when ordered on missions by colonial Governor Lord Soames, are staying near their bases. As of midnight Friday, the guerrillas are supposed to be at 16 assembly areas scattered throughout the country.

On Sunday, the British military, under whom 1,300 British and

Commonwealth troops from Australia, New Zealand, Fiji and Kenya are monitoring Rhodesian and guerrilla forces, said to have evidence of border crossings from Mozambique. They said Lord Soames had ordered small units of Rhodesian troops to the border to block these movements.

Reports, not confirmed by the British, said 600 to 700 guerrillas had made the crossing. Yesterday the British sources said there was more evidence of new crossings. Although in smaller numbers.

The sources indicated that it would be unwise to "play the numbers game" with the statistics on guerrillas appearing at assembly areas. Estimates of the total inside Rhodesia vary from 15,000 to 30,000. They indicated that large numbers were expected to show up just before the Friday deadline. Guerrillas still at large after midnight Friday will be regarded as "unlawful" under the ceasefire accord.

As of yesterday, 11 parties, including the political wings of the ZANU and ZAPU guerrilla organisations — now allowed to take part in political life here — had declared their intention to campaign for elections.

ZAPU President Joshua Nkomo made a year-end bid for unity between the two wings of the Patriotic Front despite indications that Robert Mugabe's wing of the Front would campaign separately for power in the future Rhodesian government.

"Unity in the Patriotic Front is necessary for future stability in Zimbabwe," Mr. Nkomo said yesterday at his Zimbabwe African People's Union (ZAPU) headquarters in Lusaka.

The statement Sunday in Rhodesia by a Zimbabwe African National Union (ZANU) spokesman that ZANU would campaign as a "separate entity" from ZAPU has fueled concern here that the war-time alliance would not survive the peace.

But Mr. Nkomo said "The Patriotic Front will remain intact. I hope that our comrades in ZANU recognise that it is necessary for the stability of Zimbabwe."

## Composer Richard Rodgers dies

**NEW YORK, Jan. 1 (R)**—Composer Richard Rodgers, who died of cancer Sunday night at the age of 77, dominated American musicals for more than half a century with a string of smash-hit shows that caught the imagination of the world.

The self-effacing New Yorker, whose romantic tunes were known to millions, collaborated with Lorenz Hart, Oscar Hammerstein II and other top Broadway names in such renowned productions as "Oklahoma," "South Pacific" and "The Sound of Music."

He composed the music built around the lyrics and also worked at times as a co-producer. Mr. Rodgers was responsible for changing the frothy pre-war musical from an unrealistic boy-meets-girl theme to a more serious story. His achievements made him a multi-millionaire.

Mr. Rodgers was president of the music theatre at New York's lavish Lincoln Centre for the Performing Arts. He won dozens of awards, including two Pulitzer prizes, for his work in the theatre, films and television.

At a huge party to mark his 60th birthday in 1962, the top people of show business heard a telegram read out from President Kennedy to honour the composer.

Mr. Kyprianou, who is also the leader of the Greek-Cypriot majority community, said happiness would return to the island only with the ending of "foreign interventions" and the withdrawal of the Turkish occupation army that has occupied nearly half the island since 1974.

The Cyprus resolutions adopted by the United Nations General Assembly and Security Council "contain the necessary prerequisites and other elements for a viable solution to the Cyprus problem," which would end our suffering," Mr. Kyprianou said. "But unfortunately, all these resolutions have been treated with contempt by Turkey," he added.

The deadlocked talks for a settlement of the problem would prove fruitful "only when Turkey abandoned her expansionist and partitionist policy, and this should not escape anyone's attention," Mr. Kyprianou said.

He criticised unspecified countries which he said "have not done what they could have done" to help bring about a settlement of the Cyprus problem.

"He has written the music which the generation sings—songs of land and sea, of war and peace, reminding us in charming ways of the strange and wonderful experience it is to be an American in the 20th century."

Even when new musical forms such as rock 'n' roll in the 1950s and the Beatle-type songs of the 1960s gained popularity, the magic melodies of Richard Rodgers held their own.

Richard Rodgers, born in New York on June 28, 1902, was an oddity in show business. He dressed in conservative clothes, more suited to a businessman than a romantic composer, and remained married to his first love, the former Dorothy Feiner. They wed in 1930 and had two daughters, Mary and Linda.

## Eiffel Tower to be signed over to public ownership

**PARIS, Jan. 1 (AP)**—Parisians are getting a special new year gift—the Eiffel Tower.

In a brief, unadorned ceremony today, the Eiffel Tower will be signed over to a new major shareholder—the City of Paris—to become public property after 90 years of private ownership.

Little else has changed. The 300-metre tower remains a staging ground for lovers and suicides, protesters and merry-makers, sunbathers, streakers and skateboarders.

Starting Sunday, for instance, two young men spent 24 hours dangling from the tower's upper level on mountaineering ropes to dramatise their conscientious objection to military service.

They thus joined a long line of rugged individualists who have crawled, climbed, hopped, stiltwalked and cycled up and down the tower to make one point or another.

The tower has become city property following a dispute over the elevators that carry visitors between the lower and upper levels.

The city claimed the hydraulic elevators were unsafe and demanded electric elevators be installed. The tower's owners, Societe de la Tour Eiffel, demanded that the city help pay for them.

The city refused to renew the tower's lease which, expired at midnight last night. So under a new arrangement, the municipality will own 40 percent of the tower and be its major proprietor.

## Pope warns mankind of dangers of nuclear war

**VATICAN, Jan. 1 (R)**—Pope John Paul warned mankind today of the dangers of a nuclear holocaust and said the only solution was negotiations to end the arms race, based on mutual trust.

The Polish Pontiff, in his new year message to a packed congregation in St. Peter's Basilica, declared that such trust "is not acquired by force. Nor is it obtained only by declarations. Trust must be earned with concrete gestures and facts."

The Pope made on specific mention of current events, but his warning was issued against the background of continuing efforts to seal the new Soviet-American strategic arms limitation treaty. Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan and tension in the Middle East.

His address coincided with the Roman Catholic Church's World Peace Day but was notably different in tone from the message for the day which he published last month with the theme "Truth as the power of peace."

The Pope said he had received a report from a group of scientists which described in apocalyptic terms the effects of nuclear warfare. He listed some of the report's main points.

"The death, by the direct or delayed action of explosions, of a population which could reach between 50 and 200 million people; a drastic reduction in food resources, caused by radioactivity remaining in large areas of land used for agriculture; dangerous genetic mutations in human beings, fauna and flora; considerable alterations in the layer of ozone in the atmosphere which could expose mankind to unknown difficulties, dangerous for his life; in a city hit by a nuclear explosion, the destruction of all urban services and the terror provoked by the disaster would prevent the least help being given to the inhabitants, creating a terrible nightmare."

It only needed 200 of the 50,000 nuclear bombs estimated to exist at present to destroy the greater part of the world's biggest cities, the Pope added. He quoted the scientists as saying that "it is urgent that people do not close their eyes to what an atomic war could mean for humanity."

## Sudan, Uganda pledge to restore friendly relations

**KHARTOUM, Jan. 1 (R)**—Some 50,000 Ugandan refugees who fled to Sudan last year during fighting which toppled former Ugandan President Idi Amin are free to return home, the official Sudan News Agency (SUNA) reported Sunday.

A joint communique, issued at the end of Ugandan Foreign Minister Otema Alimadi's week-long visit to Sudan, said the refugees could return under the auspices of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

Mr. Alimadi held talks in Juba, southern Sudan, with Mr. Joseph Lago, president of the region's high executive council. SUNA said that apart from discussing the refugee problem, Sudan and Uganda pledged to restore friendly relations and cooperate to maintain peace and security on their common border.

The talks also covered Ugandan requests for the return of vehicles taken into Sudan by fleeing members of Idi Amin's army. Relations between the two countries have been strained since

## New decade dawns amid fresh tensions between superpowers

**LONDON, Jan. 1 (R)**—A new decade dawned for a hopeful between the superpowers.

The first news of 1980 was as gloomy as that in the dying days of the old year and offered little prospect of the anxieties of the seventies being quickly washed away.

After a year of economic recession, soaring oil prices and turbulence and revolution in Asia, Africa and the Middle East, there were few bright spots in the news.

President Carter accused Kremlin chief Leonid Brezhnev of not telling the truth about Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, more trouble erupted in Iran, and bombs and bullets flew in Northern Ireland.

Pope John Paul spoke out against international terrorism in a New Year's Eve message. U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim headed for Tehran hoping to mediate in the U.S. embassy hostage crisis.

Gold—traditional refuge from paper currency in times of economic and political uncertainty—ended a decade of leap-frogging price rises to close in New York at a record \$530 an ounce.

An angry Mr. Carter, using his toughest language so far over the biggest Soviet military operation in a Third World country, stopped just short of calling Mr. Brezhnev a liar.

"He's not telling the facts accurately," Mr. Carter declared in a television interview. He described a reply from the Soviet president on Russian troops and tanks rolling into Kabul as "completely inadequate and completely misleading."

Earlier, Moscow had accused the United States of using Pakistan as a base to launch what it called subversive activities against neighbouring Afghanistan.

And in Iran, where about 50 American hostages have been held by Muslim militants in Tehran since Nov. 4, despite a ris-

ing chorus of protests from Western and Muslim countries, fighting was reported to have broken out in the Kurdish city of Sanandaj.

Iran's official Pars News Agency said the fiercest fighting for more than two months in the Kurdish region erupted early today between government forces and the autonomy-seeking Kurdish Democratic Party.

In strife-torn Northern Ireland, guerrillas began 1980 by blowing up a shop and attacking a security post near the Irish Republic border. Two British soldiers were shot dead while on patrol but police said the shooting appeared to be accidental.

In Rome, veteran Socialist Pietro Nenni died today after a heart attack, aged 88. One of Italy's most influential politicians, he led the country's left wing for over 60 years.

Britons ushered in the new year in a party mood, despite gloom over the first national steel works strike since 1926 due to start tomorrow and fears of soaring inflation and unemployment.

About 37,000 revellers, the

biggest such crowd in years, gathered in London's Trafalgar Square to welcome 1980, ignoring freezing temperatures, the blizzards plunging into icy fountains in the square. Police reported some scuffles and a few arrests. Thirty-five people were hurt.

In Sydney, violence erupted at a new year pop concert attended by 100,000 fans outside the Sydney Opera House. Police said 65 people were hurt by flying bottles and beer cans.

And still in Australia, people behaved like animals in the townships of Bundaberg, near Canberra. The favourites in the local animal imitation competition had to drop out—the centipede contracted athlete's foot, while a dinosaur went down with a slipped disc. The winner was an archer dressed as a headless rooster.

In Papua New Guinea, the last day of 1979 was not a good one for the government minister in charge of jails. He had to beat a bush retreat under a hail of spears and rocks when he tried to patch up a feud between mountain tribesmen.

## Founding father of Italy's socialist movement dies

**ROME Jan. 1 (R)**—Pietro Nenni, one of Italy's most influential post-war political leaders and a founding father of the Italian socialist movement, died today after suffering a heart attack, his family said. He was 88.

Mr. Nenni, appointed a life senator in 1970, had been a leader of the Italian Socialist Party for 60 years. He resigned as party president in 1969.

Mr. Nenni led his party into government with the Christian Democrats in 1963 to forge a centre-left coalition which has dominated Italian politics with only slight interruption since.

In the summer of 1969, in the wake of student and worker unrest in Italy and West Europe, Mr. Nenni failed to prevent a split in the government coalition and resigned the party leadership.

He had been a close friend of Italy's 82-year-old Socialist President Sandro Pertini, who was kept informed of Mr. Nenni's condition since his heart attack yesterday. They were exiled in France during the Fascist dictatorship of Benito Mussolini.

Mr. Nenni, who always wore a black beret in public, was brought up in an orphanage in the northern Italian town of Faenza. His parents died when he was five.

## Cinema's missing moments

**They are the great missing moments of the cinema, pieces of footage that end up on the cutting-room floor. Harlan Kennedy, film critic of Panache, speculates that one day we may see a disaster-cum-horror movie compounded of all excised scenes that were deemed too terrifying to include in the released versions.**

Dracula contemplating suicide; Olivia de Havilland's face covered with bees; and 80-year-old German actor boating along a Dutch canal chalking crosses on plague victims' doors; a sleeping astronaut threatened with the rebirth of the "alien."

What are these golden goblets of movie myth? If they have a familiar but not quite a recognisable ring, so they should. They are all scenes that were staged and shot during work on recent movie productions but failed to reach the screen as part of the final film.

Enough great missing moments of the cinema exist to fill a film twice the length of *Gone With the Wind* and just as action-packed. One of the unsolved mysteries of movie-making is how so much of the most riveting footage shot during a film ends up forlorn and forgotten on the cutting-room floor.

Some "out-takes" explain themselves. Every movie has a "shooting ratio"—ranging from two-to-one to ten-to-one—which expresses the amount of throwaway footage compared to footage used.

They get the two or the ten, we get the one. Spoiled negatives, poor lighting and the winnowing out of re-takes account for most of that larger figure. But there is still in many productions a mystery residue of excised film.

Certainly a determined sleuth could roam among the wastelands of Hollywood or Wardour Street or Cinecitta and find treasures beyond imagining. When director Irwin Allen was shooting his multi-million dollar epic *The Swarm* in Hollywood, I watched him lay a stoical Olivia de Havilland down on the floor of a train compartment and spray the star's porcelain-complexioned face with bees.

The entire sound-stage held its breath as Mr. Allen coaxed his star into immobility. The bees landed, they browsed, then they were whisked away. "Cut and print" said a satisfied Mr. Allen, and Miss de Havilland rose to her shaky feet.

Where was the scene in the film? The train crash itself—lovingly recreated in Warner Brothers studios on a bucking hydraulic ramp—was reduced in the movie to a brief chaos of

long-distance model shots and quick glimpses of inside-the-train panic. There were no bees within buzzing distance of Miss de Havilland, and an insect-maddened train crash that looked as if it would be a disaster-movie tour de force virtually disappeared.

Sometimes a sequence already filmed becomes the victim of a change in the script or storyline.

The current ending of *Alien*, for example, was chosen from two possible alternatives. One of these slyly implied that the last survivor was succumbing to the procreative powers of the Alien. The other left the character safe and healthy—perhaps with the hope of spearheading further human struggles against the interstellar menace in *Alien 2*.

Another reason for a filmmaker to jettison good footage is that its mood may be out-of-key with the rest of the movie.

That consideration seems to have influenced Werner Herzog in omitting from *Nosferatu the Vampire* the irresistibly surreal and comic scenes he shot on a Delft canal with his wizened, eccentric character actor Clemens Schütz. The spectacle of Herr Scheitz, in appearance a sort of parchment-shrunken Peter Lorre, processing down the canal knocking on plague victims' doors and inscribing his chalk crosses with a sing-songer's fastidiousness, lingers indelibly in the memory.

There is—or was—an equally potent moment in John Badham's new *Dracula*. Frank Langella's Count had a scene in which he contemplated suicide, intoning as he stood in the shadow of a slim tree: "To die, to be truly dead, that must be glorious."

Coaxing him into the sunshine stood his mistress Kate Nelligan, complete with blood-filled contact lenses and outstretched arms urging "Come, I'll help you, come." But he didn't and that scene is now on the cutting-room floor.

Other lost ghosts of recent cinema haunt the brain and swell the shooting ratio. Starring in Alan Rudolph's Los Angeles thriller *Remember My Name*, Geraldine Chaplin had trouble in rehearsal enunciating the words "pay cheque" (they kept coming out as "pay cheque") during a vivacious scene in which she argues with the boss of the supermarket

where she was working. She got it right finally—only for the scene to be dropped from the film.

In *Sherlock Holmes: Murder By Decree*, a whole evening's atmospheric filming in West London dropped out of the movie. During it Holmes (Christopher Plummer) and Watson (James Mason), in hot pursuit of a murder suspect, drove up in a hansom cab to a sumptuous Victorian mansion in the W1 district knocking on the door and bandying lively words with the butler.

The scene was pruned, taking with it all the crew's hard work that night in blacking out yellow no-parking lines, swapping electricity for gaslight, and generally turning London 1978 into London 1890.

Some of the above excisions are susceptible to explanation. While not natural-wastage footage—

spoiled film or re-takes—it failed one way or another to mesh with the final concept of movie.

Others—especially in blood-and-thunder category where one would expect anything stylistically hyperbolic to welcome—offer food for puzzlement.

Perhaps in some dusty vault Hollywood there is an *Out of the Past* disaster-cum-horror movie, compounded of all excised scenes that were deemed too terrifying to include in released versions. Shall we see it—day see—in seat-shaking surround and ear-splitting Dolby-*Dracula Flies Beyond the Swamp*?

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Count Dracula (Frank Langella) stands over his more than willing "victim" Lucy Seward (Kate Nelligan) in a scene from *Dracula* which the Count contemplates suicide. In common with many "out-takes" moments of moviedom, it finished on the cutting-room floor (FT photo)